

# SCHOOL-TO-PRISON PIPELINE

Today's Students Experience...

## Prison-Like Environments

SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS  
POLICE DOGS  
ARMED GUARDS  
SCHOOL AND LOCAL POLICE ON CAMPUS  
METAL DETECTORS  
STRIP SEARCHES  
PHYSICALLY UNINVITING BUILDINGS

## Harsh School Discipline

OUT-OF-SCHOOL SUSPENSIONS  
EXPULSIONS  
TRANSFERS TO ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS  
ZERO TOLERANCE POLICIES

Youth of color, LGBTQ students, and students with disabilities are punished **more often** and **more harshly** than their peers for the same misbehavior.

## Under Investment

CUTBACKS ON COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS AND MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES  
UNDERFUNDED AND UNDER-RESOURCED SCHOOLS

## Pressures & Uncertainty

SCHOOL CLOSURES  
PRIVATIZATION  
HIGH-STAKES TESTING PRESSURES ON STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS  
IMPLICIT AND EXPLICIT BIAS

## Out-of-School Suspensions

OVER **3,000,000** students receive an out-of-school suspension annually.

A NUMBER THAT HAS BEEN RISING FOR DECADES.

## SUSPENSIONS, RACE & DISABILITY

*Likelihood of Being Suspended at Least Once*

WHITE 1/20  
LATINO 1/14  
NATIVE AMER. 1/13  
BLACK 1/6  
BLACK WITH DISABILITY 1/4

## STUDENTS HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN SUSPENDED FOR...

Talking about a Hello Kitty bubble gun  
Hugging a friend  
Chewing a Pop Tart into the shape of a gun

Just **ONE** out-of-school suspension in the 9th grade **DOUBLES** a student's risk of dropping out before graduation.

## HARSH DISCIPLINE POLICIES =

No Trust in Adults  
No College or Career  
No Safer Schools

## School Arrests

OVER **70%** of students involved in school-related arrested or referred to law enforcement are Hispanic or African-American.

OVER **67%** of school arrests in Florida are for minor misdemeanor charges.

## STUDENTS HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN ARRESTED FOR...

Kindergartener throwing a temper tantrum  
Scribbling on a desk  
Sneaking into school for a senior prank  
Playing the *Fresh Prince* theme song on a cellphone  
Science experiment gone wrong

BOOKS NOT BARS

END #SCHOOL2PRISON

YOU CANT BUILD PEACE WITH A PIECE

NO EDUCATION NO LIFE

EDUCATION NOT INCARCERATION

PUSHOUT? PUSH BACK